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68/155. International Covenants on Human Rights

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 66/148 of 19 December 2011,

Welcoming the entry into force of the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights[1] on 5 May 2013,

1. *Welcomes* the annual reports of the Human Rights Committee submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh[2] and sixty-eighth[3] sessions;

2. *Also welcomes* the reports of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its forty-sixth and forty-seventh sessions[4] and on its forty-eighth and forty-ninth sessions;[5]

3. *Invites* the Chairs of the Committees to address and engage in an interactive dialogue with the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth and seventieth sessions under the item entitled "Promotion and protection of human rights", within existing resources;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep the General Assembly informed of the status of the International Covenants on Human Rights[6] and the Optional Protocols thereto,[7] including all reservations and declarations, through the United Nations websites.

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[1] Resolution 63/117, annex.

[2] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 40* (A/67/40), vols. I and II.

[3] Ibid., *Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 40* (A/68/40), vols. I and II.

[4] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2012, Supplement No. 2* (E/2012/22).

[5] Ibid., *2013, Supplement No. 2* (E/2013/22).

[6] Resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

[7] See resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex, resolution 44/128, annex, and resolution 63/117, annex.

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